



NOAA FISHERIES

Atlantic Highly Migratory Species

COMMERCIAL LANDINGS OF BLUEFIN TUNA

As of April 30, 2013

Quota category	Current Year 2013				Previous Year 2012		
	No. of Fish	Avg Weight (lb)	Gross Weight (mt)	Proposed Adjusted Quota	Count of Fish	Avg. Weight (lb)	Gross Weight (mt)
General	252	283.1	32.4	435.1	293	281.2	37.4
Handline	1	213.0	0.1		0	0.0	0.0
Harpoon	0	0.0	0		0	0.0	0.0
Rod and Reel	251	283.4	32.3		293	281.2	37.4
Harpoon				36.0			
Longline (incl NED)	189	443.0	38	49.7	278	460.4	58.1
NED	0	0.0	0	25.0	0	0.0	0.0
North	81	392.7	14.4	19.9	109	351.1	17.4
South	108	480.4	23.6	29.8	169	530.9	40.7
Trap	0	0.0	0	0.9	0	0.0	0.0
Purse seine				171.8			
Reserve	0	0.0	0	70.5	0	0.0	0.0
Total (landings only)	441	351.6	70.4	946.0	571	368.4	95.5

NOTE

- This report *SHOULD NOT* be considered useful for real time catch monitoring purposes. It only includes landings reported to NMFS to date.
- These numbers are considered preliminary and are subject to change.
- NMFS closed the General category January subquota period on February 15, 2013 (78 FR 11788; February 20, 2013) and the Angling category Southern area trophy fishery on April 4, 2013 (78 FR 20258).
- The proposed 2013 Atlantic bluefin tuna specifications (78 FR 21584, April 11, 2013) would adjust the 2013 base quota and subquotas to account for 2012 underharvest and to address anticipated dead discards for 2013.

This notice is a courtesy to Atlantic tuna fishery interests to keep you informed about the fishery. Official notice of Federal fishery actions is made through filing such notice with the Office of the Federal Register. To view catch statistics from previous months, please visit http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms/hmsdocument_files/Tuna.htm or contact Brad McHale at (978) 281-9260.

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